#### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

BARBARA J. LUEDERS, individually and on behalf of a class of similarly	)
situated persons,	) Case No. 08-cv-2457
Plaintiff,	)  Judge Wayne R. Anderson )
v.	)
3M COMPANY, a Delaware corporation,	)
Defendant.	<i>)</i> )

## PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE BRIEF IN OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO TRANSFER VENUE TO THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

#### I. INTRODUCTION

Defendant, 3M Company ("3M") has asked this court's permission to transfer the instant matter to the Central District of Illinois. In doing so, it has brought upon itself a duty and responsibility to substantiate a finding by this honorable court that the *balance of relevant factors weighs heavily in favor of transfer*. 3M has not and cannot meet this burden. As a result, the Defendant's Motion to Transfer must be denied.

#### II. STATEMENT OF FACTS

In December of 2007, Plaintiff, on behalf of a putative class of current and former 3M employees, (collectively referred to as "the class" or "plaintiffs") filed a class action lawsuit alleging 3M has violated and continues to violate the Illinois Minimum Wage Law ("IMWL"), 820 ILCS §105/1 et seq., the Illinois Wage Payment and Collection Act ("IWPCA"), 820 ILCS §115/1 et seq., the Fair Labor Standards Act ("FLSA"), 29 U.S.C. §201 et seq., and the Portal to Portal Act, 29 U.S.C. §251 et seq. by refusing and failing to pay plaintiff and/or the putative class wages for all hours worked including overtime wages and failing to pay plaintiffs at least

minimum wage for all hours worked and overtime wages at the rate of one and one-half times her regular hourly rate for all hours worked over 40 in a week. (Comp. at ¶2). A complete copy of plaintiffs' Complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit A. Plaintiff, and/or the putative class, worked as a full-time, non-exempt, hourly employee at the 3M Cordova facility. (Comp. at ¶6). Plaintiff and the class complain of acts which occurred at all times from at least November 2002, and continuing through the present. (Comp. at  $\P 8$ ).

3M is a Delaware corporation, headquartered in St. Paul, Minnesota, and is involved in the research, manufacture and marketing of a great variety of products, including adhesives, magnetic tape, photographic products, medical, dental and office products. Its plant located in Cordova, Illinois produces specialty adhesives. (Comp. ¶4 & Defendant's Motion to Transfer ("Def. Motion") at 2). 3M has manufacturing plant locations in Alabama, Arkansas, California, Illinois (the Cordova plant), Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, South Dakota, Texas and Wisconsin. http://solutions.3m.com/wps/portal/3M/en\_US/our/company/information/USlocations/.

On information and belief<sup>1</sup>, all Defendant's employment policies and practices, which have given rise to the instant litigation, derive from the 3M corporate offices in St. Paul Minnesota. The majority of these policies are delineated in 3M's Policy Manual. (Comp. at ¶¶15, 16, & 18). 3M requires plaintiffs to wear uniforms and other personal protective equipment which must be donned and doffed at the plant. (Comp. at ¶¶19 & 20). 3M requires the class to report to their work stations, in uniform, 20 minutes prior to the official start of their shift so that they can relieve their counterpart on the prior shift. (Comp. at ¶20 &21). At the end of shift, employees are instructed to shower before changing into their street clothes. (Comp. at ¶19).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Defendant's Motion to Transfer has been filed prior to Defendant's Answer, Rule 26 disclosures, or discovery. Therefore, there is no established record in this case.

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Employees all carry identification badges and are required to swipe in and out at the guard gate to gain access to or leave the facility. Thus, although not used for payroll purposes, the exact time an employee arrives at and departs the facility is recorded electronically. (Comp. at ¶11 & group Exhibit C). Instead of utilizing accurate time records, such as security badging records, 3M employees are instructed to record, for payroll purposes, only their total time to be paid for any given shift, which does not include time spent donning and doffing uniforms, walking to work stations, or reporting early for shift had off.. (Comp. at ¶¶19-27). Employee time records are transmitted electronically to 3M corporate to be converted to payroll records and paychecks. See sample paycheck stub attached hereto as Exhibit B.

Although some records may be maintained on premises at the 3M Cordova facility, all employment records, including, but not limited to, security badging records, time keeping records and payroll records are all maintained electronically at the 3M corporate headquarters. (Def.'s Motion at p.3 & redacted communication from 3M in-house counsel attached hereto as group Exhibit C).

#### III. **LEGAL ANALYSIS**

#### Α. Applicable Legal Standard for Transfer of Venue Under §1404(a).

Transfer is appropriate under 28 U.S.C. §1404(a) where (1) venue is proper in the transferor court; (2) venue is proper in the transferee district; and (3) the transfer will serve the convenience of the parties as well as the interests of justice<sup>2</sup>. Morton Grove Pharmaceuticals, Inc. v. Nat'l Pediculosis Assoc., 525 F. Supp.2d 1039, 1044 (N.D.Ill. 2007). In determining whether a forum is more convenient and whether transfer would be in the interest of justice, the court must consider the private interest of the parties and the public interest of the court. Gulf Oil Corp. v.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Plaintiffs' do not dispute that venue is proper in both the Northern and Central Districts of Illinois. Therefore, Plaintiffs' will not address these issues herein, but rather focus on the issues pertaining to the Private and Public Interests associated with Defendant's Motion to Transfer.

Gilbert, 330 U.S. 501, 67 S.Ct. 839 (1947); and Morton Grove Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 525 F.Supp.2d at 1044 (citing N. Shore Gas Co. v. Salomon, Inc. 896 F. Supp. 786, 791 (N.D.III. 1995). Factors relevant to the parties' private concerns include (1) the plaintiff's choice of forum; (2) situs of the material events; (3) relative ease of access to sources of proof; (4) the convenience of the parties; and (5) the convenience of the witnesses. Id. (citing Schwarz v. Nat'l Van Lines, Inc., 317 F.Supp.2d 829, 835 (N.D.III.2004); Coll. Craft Cos., Ltd. v. Perry, 889 F.Supp. 1052, 1054 (N.D.Ill.1995)). The factors relevant to the public interest of the court include the court's familiarity with the applicable law and concerns relating to the efficient administration of justice. Id. The burden is on the moving party to demonstrate that the balance of the factors weighs heavily in favor of transfer and that transfer would not merely shift inconvenience from one party to another. Id. (citing Fink v. Declassis, 738 F.Supp. 1195, 1198 (N.D.III.1990)) (emphasis added). See also, Federal Deposit Ins. Corp. v. Citizens Bank & Trust Co., 592 F.2d 364 (7th Cir. 1979)(transferee forum must be clearly more convenient); Hoskins v. Union Pacific R.R. Co., 365 Ill.App.3d 1021, 851 N.E.2d 646 (5th Dist. 2006)(moving party must show that the chosen forum is inconvenient to the moving party and the proposed forum is more convenient to all parties); and Coffey v. Van Dorn Iron Works, 796 F.2d 217, 220 (7th Cir.1986) (a transfer is appropriate if it would be "clearly more convenient"). "The statute is intended to place discretion in the district courts to adjudicate motions for transfer according to an individualized, case-by-case consideration of convenience and fairness." Stewart Organization, Inc. v. Ricoh Corp., 487 U.S. 22, 23, 108 S.Ct. 2239 (1988). Because the task of weighing factors for and against transfer "necessarily involves a large degree of subtlety and latitude" the decision to transfer is committed to the sound discretion of the trial judge. Id. at 219.

#### B. The "Private Interests" Favor a Denial of Transfer.

Factors relevant to the parties' private concerns include (1) the plaintiff's choice of forum; (2) situs of the material events; (3) relative ease of access to sources of proof; (4) the convenience of the parties; and (5) the convenience of the witnesses. *Morton Grove*Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 525 F.Supp.2d at 1044. Defendant cannot meet its burden as it relates to any of these private interest factors, therefore the court must deny its Motion to Transfer.

#### i. Plaintiff's choice of forum favors denial of transfer.

A plaintiff's choice of forum is entitled to substantial weight under §1404(a). *Vandeveld v. Christoph*, 877 F.Supp. 1160, 1167 (N.D.Ill.1995). Plaintiff originally brought the instant matter in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. See generally Exhibit A. Plaintiff's choice forum was within the Northern District of Illinois and therefore Defendant removed this case to its current forum. (Def.'s motion at p.1, fn.1). Thus, the fact that plaintiff has brought this action in the Northern District of Illinois weighs heavily against transfer.

In this case, the operative facts that gave rise to the instant cause of action occurred in Cordova, Illinois and St. Paul, Minnesota. (Comp. at ¶¶ 11-23, Exhibit B, & Exhibit C. While it may be that where the operative facts have little connection to the forum, the plaintiff's choice of forum is given less weight ((see Heartland Packaging Corp. v. Sugar Foods Corp., 2007 WL 101815 \*2 (S.D.Ind. Jan.9, 2007); Barela v. Experian Information Solutions, Inc., 2005 WL 770629 \*3 (N.D.Ill. April 4, 2005) (emphasis added). (Also see further discussion in III(B)(ii) "Situs of Material Events" section below)), the trial court must give some weight to the plaintiffs' choice of forum. Gulf Oil Corp., 330 US. at 508. Defendant's assertion that this factor requires the court to assign "virtually no weight" to plaintiffs' choice of forum is a misstatement of the law. (Defendants Motion at 5). Defendant's cite to Digital Merchant Systems, Inc. v. Oglesby, 1999 WL 1101769, \*6 (N.D.Ill. 1999) in support of this position.

However, contrary to Defendant's articulation, *Digital Merchant* also tells us that, "Plaintiff's choice of forum...is given *less weight* when the events giving rise to the cause of action did not conclusively arise in the chosen forum." *Id.* (emphasis added)(internal citations omitted). The Supreme Court dictates that the plaintiff's choice of forum must be given at least some weight. *Gulf Oil Corp.*, 330 U.S. at 508. The plaintiffs have chosen the Northern District as their forum, some weight must be given to this choice and this fact favors denial of defendant's Motion to Transfer.

#### ii. Situs of material events

Plaintiffs allege that 3M subjected its employees to unlawful employment policies and practices by denying them regular and overtime wages for all hours worked. (Complaint at ¶1). Plaintiffs admit the situs of some of the material events took place at the Cordova facility, where the class of plaintiffs worked, in the Central District. However, a good deal of the material events also took place, on information and belief, in St. Paul Minnesota, home of the 3M corporate offices. Specifically, the employment policies and practices complained of, including, but not limited to those concerning uniforms, shift hand off, pay and time keeping. Furthermore, on information and belief, the act of converting time records to payroll, which effectively deprived employees of compensation for all hours worked, took place at the corporate headquarters. Exhibit B.

#### iii. The convenience of party witnesses is not the relevant consideration

Defendant spends almost four pages of its brief going on and on about how the convenience of party witnesses ostensibly warrants a transfer. (Defendant's brief at 7-10). However, "the convenience of party witnesses is less relevant than the convenience of non-party witnesses, since party witnesses normally must appear voluntarily." *Morton Grove Pharmaceuticals, Inc.*, 525 F.Supp.2d at 1045. (citing *First Nat'l Bank v. El Camino Res., Ltd.*,

447 F.Supp.2d 902, 913 (N.D.Ill.2006). Furthermore, the courts ordinarily assume that the parties will be sufficiently motivated to have their own partners or employees or other allies appear for trial wherever it might take place. See, *e.g.*, *FUL Inc. v. Unified Sch. Dist. No. 204*, 839 F.Supp. 1307, 1311 (N.D.Ill.1993), cited in *Greene Mfg. Co. v. Marquette Tool & Die Co.*, 1998 WL 395155, at \*3 (N.D.Ill. July 9, 1998). Despite defendant's assertions, party witnesses should not be the focus of this court's transfer considerations.

In the instant matter the parties, and thus the witnesses, are the class of current and former 3M employees and the corporate 3M entity, represented by management and corporate representatives. Defendant admits, that with regard to corporate witnesses both forums are appropriate. In its brief Defendant states that to the extent that "witnesses, documents, or evidence is located at 3M headquarters in St. Paul, Minnesota," any potential burden is the same whether the case is venued in the Northern or the Central District of Illinois. (Defendant's Motion at 3, fn.3). This admission is surprising in light of the fact that it is the moving party's burden to show that a transfer is "clearly more convenient." Coffey v. 796 F.2d at 220(emphasis added). Obviously, defendant has not met its burden in this regard, further demonstrating why transfer must be denied.

In reality, the critical inquiry under this private interest consideration will concern the availability of non-party witnesses, as it is the more important concern under § 1404(a). *Morton Grove Pharmaceuticals, Inc.*, 525 F.Supp.2d at 1045, and *Worldwide Financial LLP v. Kopko*, 2004 WL 771219, \*3 (S.D.Ind.2004)(emphasis added). However, where "neither party has identified any third-party witnesses whose testimony will be necessary for the... case the convenience of witnesses factor has no impact on the transfer analysis[.]" *McCants v. C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc.*, 2007 WL 1650103 (N.D.Ill. June 4, 2007). At this extremely early stage of litigation where no discovery has taken place and no record exists, it is difficult if not

impossible to assess exactly how many, if any, non-party witnesses will be called as a witness at trail. However, at this stage, on information and belief, only party witnesses will be necessary at trial. Thus, no non-party witnesses will be inconvenienced (because none currently exist) if the litigation is permitted to remain in the Northern District. This fact also favors a denial of defendant's Motion to Transfer.

#### iv. The access to the sources of proof favors a denial of transfer.

Courts also consider the "relative ease of access to sources of proof." Morton Grove Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 525 F.Supp.2d at 1046. However, "[t]he location of a party's documents and records is usually not a very persuasive reason to transfer a case." Event News Network, Inc. v. Thill, 2005 WL 2978711, at \*5 (N.D.Ill. Nov. 2, 2005). Where documentary evidence, is easy to transport, this factor has no impact on the analysis. See Stanley v. Marion, 2004 WL 1611074, at \*3 (N.D.Ill. Jul.16, 2004) (emphasis added). Therefore, even if defendant could show that the proofs are more accessible in the Central District, that fact it would not necessitate a transfer there. In any event, the physical location of documents in this case is strictly an academic inquiry because this is a records case and the records in question are easily assessable in either forum<sup>3</sup>.

Obviously, in wage claim litigation the operative evidence will be the company's timekeeping and payroll records. See Anderson v. Mt. Clemens Pottery Co., 328 U.S. 680, 66 S.Ct. 1187 (1946). 3M has admitted that it has electronic data showing the time an employee spent in the Cordova plant, the number of hours an employee was paid per day, and the rate of pay. See group Exhibit C. It is plaintiffs' position that the sources of proof will rely heavily, if

The fact that this is a records case will necessarily limit the amount of witness testimony that may be needed because relevant evidence is contained in 3M's time and pay records. This is important because defendant asserts that it anticipates calling upon numerous management and plant employee witnesses from Cordova. It is plaintiffs' position that multiple witnesses will not be necessary in light of available records. Furthermore, these witnesses are party witnesses and therefore not a very key consideration (see section III(B)(iii) above).

not entirely, on 3M's electronically maintained badging, timekeeping and payroll records. Defendant's brief is misleading in that it contends that the records are only maintained in its Cordova Plant and that it will sustain a substantial burden in preparing and transporting large volumes of documents if this matter remains in the Northern District. (Def.'s Motion at 11).

In truth, it has been well established that all of these records, even if kept in Cordova, are also maintained electronically at 3M's corporate headquarters in St. Paul, Minnesota and easily readable, shared and transferred electronically. See group Exhibit C. Again, defendant has already admitted that to the extent that "witnesses, documents, or evidence is located at 3M headquarters in St. Paul, Minnesota," any potential burden is the same whether the case is venued in the Northern or the Central District of Illinois. (Defendant's Motion at 3, fn.3). Because access to the sources of proof is electronic, easily shared and transferable, access to proof will have no impact on this analysis as no party will be inconvenienced if the litigation is maintained in either forum. As such defendant has obviously not met its burden to show that the transferor district is "clearly more convenient."

In addition, where there will be a greater amount of written discovery materials located within the transferor district due to the need to compute damages, the factor will weigh slightly against transfer. *Morton Grove Pharmaceuticals, Inc.*, 525 F.Supp.2d at 1046. In the instant matter, parties will use 3M's records to compute the alleged amount of unpaid overtime wages. On information and belief, the respective party's counsel will oversee this computation of the damages. The offices of both parties counsel are located within the Northern District. (Chicago & Wheaton, Illinois). Therefore, this factor favors the denial of transfer to the Central District.

#### C. The "Public Interests of Justice" Favors a Denial of Transfer

The Court must also consider the public interests in ruling upon Defendant's Motion for Transfer. *Coll. Craft Cos.*, *Ltd.*, 889 F.Supp. at 1056. This inquiry mainly focuses on administrative concerns rather than the merits of the underlying dispute. *See Coffey*, 796 F.2d at 221. The factors relevant to the public interest of the court include the court's familiarity with the applicable law and concerns relating to the efficient administration of justice. *Morton Grove Pharmaceuticals*, *Inc.*, 525 F. Supp.2d at 1044-45. Both of these factors weigh heavily in favor of this court's denial of the Defendant's Motion to Transfer.

#### i. The court's familiarity with the applicable law favors denial of transfer.

Not surprisingly, Defendant does not address the issue of the Central District's familiarity with the applicable law in its brief. Likely, this is because the Northern District has significantly more familiarity with the law relating to Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) than does the Central District. A simple PACER civil query of all cases filed under the FLSA reveals that, from May 1, 2007 through May 1, 2008, the only five (5) FLSA cases were filed in the Central District. See Exhibit D. During the exact same time period one hundred and eighty-one (181) FLSA cases were filed in the Northern District. See Exhibit E. Obviously, the substantial frequency of FLSA filings in the Northern District demonstrates that the Northern District has decisively more familiarity with the applicable law. This fact clearly weighs in favor of denying the Defendant's Motion to Transfer.

#### ii. Efficient administration of justice favors denial of transfer.

The Northern District is the more expeditious forum. Plaintiffs agree with the defendant that docket conditions are a relevant factor in determining the "interests of justice." (Defendant's Motion at 12) However, Defendant attempts to mislead the court with an inappropriate application of the relevant statistics. In reality, according to the statistics of the Administrative

Office of the United States Courts, the Northern District is the more efficient forum. See Exhibits F & G. While it may be true that the Northern District had more civil filings than the Central District in 2007, it does not follow that the Central District is more adept at moving cases through the litigation process. In fact, the statistics prove that the contrary is true.

In 2007, the Central District had three hundred twenty-one (321) pending cases per judgeship and the Northern District had three hundred eighty-two (382) pending cases per judgeship. *Id.*In the same year, the Northern District was able, on average, to move its civil cases from filing to disposition in approximately six (6) months, whereas the Central District took over nine (9) months. *Id.* Indeed, the Northern District has shown to be more efficient than the Central District for the past six (6) years in a row. *Id.* Even with the benefit of a "significantly smaller civil docket" (Defendant's Motion at 12), the Northern District has proven itself to provide more efficient administration of justice. This fact is yet another factor supporting this court's denial of the Defendant's Motion to transfer.

#### iii. The nation has an interest in the resolution of the instant matter.

3M has manufacturing plant locations in Alabama, Arkansas, California, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, South Dakota, Texas and Wisconsin.

http://solutions.3m.com/wps/portal/3M/en\_US/our/company/information/US-locations/. On information and belief, the employment policies and practices at all 3M plant locations come from the 3M corporate offices. As such, it is not only Cordova that has "locale" interest in this litigation. The Central District does not have any unique interest in the resolution of this case. This factor also weighs against granting defendant's Motion to Transfer.

#### IV. CONCLUSION

Not one of the elements relating to the private interest of the parties or the public interests of the courts, as articulated by defendant, shows that the Central District is *clearly more convenient*. Even defendant's arguments as a whole do not substantiate a finding that the relevant analysis *heavily favors* transfer. Defendant fails to meet its burden under §1404(a) time and time again. Therefore, the court must deny the defendant's Motion to Transfer.

Respectfully submitted,

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# IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION

BARBARA J. LUEDERS, individually and on ) behalf of a class of similarly situated persons,	Condition to the state of the s
Plaintiff, )	07.CH36038
vs.	
3M COMPANY, a Delaware corporation, )	JURY DEMAND
Defendant.	

# CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT FOR AN ACCOUNTING, INJUNCTIVE RELIEF AND RECOVERY OF WAGES

Plaintiff, BARBARA LUEDERS, individually and on behalf of a class of similarly situated persons, by their attorneys, the LAW OFFICES OF COLLEEN M. MCLAUGHLIN and ROBIN POTTER AND ASSOCIATES, P.C., and pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2-801 et seq. Class Actions; 820 ILCS 115/1 et seq., the Wage Payment and Collection Act; 820 ILCS 105/1 et seq., the Illinois Minimum Wage Act; 29 U.S.C. §201 et seq. the Fair Labor Standards Act; and 20 U.S.C. §251 et seq., the Portal to Portal Act, complains of Defendant 3M COMPANY ("3M") as follows:

#### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

1. Defendant has violated and continues to violate the Illinois Minimum Wage Law ("IMWL"), 820 ILCS §105/1 et seq. and the Illinois Wage Payment and Collection Act ("IWPCA"), 820 ILCS §115/1 et seq. by refusing and failing to pay Plaintiff and other similarly situated employees wages for all hours worked including overtime wages. In addition, Defendant has violated the Fair Labor Standards Act ("FLSA"), 29 U.S.C. §201 et seq., and the Portal to Portal Act, 29 U.S.C. §251 et seq., by refusing and failing to pay Plaintiff at least minimum wage

for all hours worked and overtime wages at the rate of one and one-half times her regular hourly rate for all hours worked over 40 in a week.

- 2. This Court has jurisdiction over these claims under the IMWL, 820 ILCS §105/12(a), the IWPCA, 820 ILCS §115/11 and the FLSA, 29 U.S.C. §203(d).
- 3. Venue is proper in this Court because 3M does business in Cook County, Illinois and its registered agent is located in Cook County, Illinois.

#### **PARTIES**

- 4. 3M is a Delaware corporation, headquartered in St. Paul, Minnesota, and is involved in the research, manufacture and marketing of a great variety of products, including adhesives, magnetic tape, photographic products, medical, dental and office products. Its plant located in Cordova, Illinois produces specialty adhesives. On information and belief, Defendant 3M typically employs, at its facility in Cordova, Illinois, in excess of 300 non-exempt, hourly employees.
- 5. Defendant 3M is an "employer" within the meaning of the IMWL, 820 ILCS §105/3, the IWPCA, 820 ILCS 115/2, the FLSA, 29 U.S.C. §203(d) and the Portal to Portal Act, 29 U.S.C. §262(a).
- 6. Plaintiff Lueders resides in Thomson, Illinois. Plaintiff Lueders has consented to being a party plaintiff in this action. Plaintiff worked as a full-time, non-exempt, hourly employee at the 3M Cordova facility from January 29, 1990 to May 24, 2007. During the course of her employment, Lueders worked as a Chemical Processor in various units and buildings throughout the Cordova facility.

7. At all relevant times, Plaintiff and the class, as defined below, have been covered "employees" within the meaning of the IMWL, 820 ILCS § 105/3(d), the IWPCA, 820 ILCS

115/2, the FLSA, 29 U.S.C. §203(e)(1) and the Portal to Portal Act, 29 U.S.C. §262(a).

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8. The acts complained of herein have occurred at all times from at least November 2002, and continuing through the present.

#### **FACTS COMMON TO ALL COUNTS**

- 9. The 3M Cordova facility occupies over 700 acres and is comprised of several factories in over a dozen buildings. Employees work around and directly with flammable liquids and chemicals. The Cordova facility operates around the clock, 7 days a week.
- 10. The Cordova plant consists of two groups, Production and Plant Engineering. Production includes Chemical and Oxide Processors, Material Handlers, Finished Good Handlers, Environmental Material Handlers, and Yard Keepers. Plant Engineering includes Mechanical, Electrical, Utilities, Servicepersons, Apprentices and Helpers.
- 11. Employees all carry identification badges and are required to swipe in and out at the guard gate to gain access to or leave the facility. Thus, the exact time an employee arrives at and departs the facility is recorded.
- 12. 3M plant employees work one of three types of schedules. First, there is the "day shift," which consists of one 8-hour shift. Shift "start" time is normally at 0700 and shift "end" time is normally at 1500.
- 13. The second type of shift is referred to by 3M as "Three-Shift Operation," which consists of three 8-hour shifts. The first shift normally "starts" at 0700 or 0800.

- 14. The third type of shift is referred to by 3M as the "4-Crew, 12 Hour Shift Operation," which consists of two 12-hour shifts that "begin" with the start of an employee's regularly scheduled shift. Day shift (code 1) is from 0600-1800 and night shift (code 3) is from 1800 0600.
- 15. 3M's policy manual states that employees on a straight 8-hour work schedule will be paid "time and one-half for work in excess of 8 hours in any day for which overtime has not been paid on some other basis." Employees working an 8-hour shift are also entitled to a paid 20-minute lunch period and two paid 10-minute rest periods.
- 16. 3M's policy manual states that employees working a 12-hour rotation work schedule will be paid "time and one-half for work in excess of 40 hours per workweek for which overtime has not been paid on some other basis." Employees working a 12-hour shift are entitled to two 30-minute paid meal periods and up to 30 additional minutes of paid rest breaks. In addition, employees will be paid two times their regular base pay for all consecutive hours worked over 12.
- 17. Employees are paid every 2 weeks. Employees assigned to the 12-Hour Shift Operation schedule will generally work 36 hours one week and 48 hours the next week.
- 18. 3M's policy manual also states that "paid absences such as vacations and holidays shall be considered time worked for the purpose of determining overtime payment."
- 19. The vast majority of Production and Plant Engineering employees are required by 3M as well as the nature of their work to wear flame resistant uniforms and other personal protective equipment ("PPE") such as eye protection, hard hats, ear plugs and steel-toed ESD rated safety shoes. Uniforms, eye protection, hard hats, ear plugs and steel-toed, shock resistant safety shoes

are donned and doffed at 3M. At the end of shift, employees are instructed to shower before changing into their street clothes.

- 20. In addition to being required to change into and out of their uniforms and other PPE on the premises, most production employees are also required to report to their work stations, in work clothing attire, 20 minutes prior to the official start of their shift so that they can relieve their counterpart on the prior shift.
- 21. 3M's employee manual instructs employees as follows:

#### Making Proper Shift Change

The work requirement is for everyone to make a proper shift change. This involves communication at the "work station." The responsibility is to the unit, the product, and to the person being relieved. Shift change at the workstation provides both employees an opportunity to discuss the process and the processes being monitored for safety and quality issues. Shift changes that occur out of the work area are not acceptable.

- 22. The pre and post shift activities described herein are integral and indispensable activities that are performed for the benefit of the employer. These activities are performed daily and regularly and the time involved is not *de minimis*. The Plaintiff and the class are entitled to be paid for all time engaged in these activities.
- 23. Although it is the employer's burden to keep accurate employee time records under 29 U.S.C. §211(c); 820 ILCS §105/8, 3M requires its employees to keep their own time records for payroll purposes. Employees are instructed to record only their total time to be paid for any given shift, which is less than the time that they actually worked. Employees are not allowed to record the exact times they start and end their work day or the exact times they leave their work station or return to their work stations for meal breaks. For example, an employee would typically record only "8 hours" or "12 hours" for any given date worked. In actuality, that employee may have

worked as much as 8 ½ to 9 hours, depending on how long it took them to change into their uniform and walk to their work station in order to arrive and start work 20 minutes prior to the official start of their shift and to change out of their uniforms and back into street clothes at the end of their shift. Supervisors are responsible for checking the employee's recorded total time for any given shift. Only the employee and his/her supervisor are authorized to record an individual employee's time.

- 24. Employees are not paid at either their regular or applicable overtime rate for the time it takes to don their uniforms and other PPE.
- 25. Employees are not paid for the time it takes to walk from the locker room to their work stations prior to the start of their shift.
- 26. Employees are not paid at either their regular or applicable overtime rate for reporting to their work stations 20 minutes prior to the official start of their shifts.
- 27. Although most of the time, employees are relieved from duty prior to the official end of shift, employees do not always complete the tasks of walking to the locker room, showering, and changing into street clothes prior to the official end of their shift. Thus, employees are not paid for all the time required to perform these tasks.
- 28. Defendant, 3M, was aware of its obligation to pay employees for all hours worked and to pay overtime and intentionally chose not to pay Plaintiff and the class. Defendant acted in bad faith in failing to compensate Plaintiff and the class for all work performed.

#### **CLASS ALLEGATIONS - IMWL and IWPCA**

29. Plaintiff seeks to represent a class of all former and current, non-exempt, hourly plant employees who worked at the Cordova 3M facility at any time between November of 2002 and

continuing through the present, who are/were required to don and doff uniforms and other PPE on 3M premises, and/or who are/were required to report to their workstations approximately 20 minutes prior to the official start of their shift, and who were not paid either their regular or overtime pay for engaging in these activities.

- 30. The Plaintiff and the members of the class have a commonality of interest in the subject matter (Defendant's common company wide personnel policies) and the remedy sought (payment by Defendant of all unpaid wages at their applicable regular or overtime rate and penalties as allowed by law).
- 31. There are several predominate questions of fact common to Plaintiff and the class, including (1) the fact that Plaintiff and the class are all non-exempt employees who worked in similar manufacturing-related positions for 3M; (2) the fact that Plaintiff and the class were/are all compensated on an hourly basis; (3) the fact that Plaintiff and the class were/are all subject to the same wage and hour policies and procedures including hours paid at the employee's overtime rate; (4) the fact that Plaintiff and the class were/are all required to record their total time on the same computerized system; (5) the fact that Plaintiff and the class were/are subject to the same polices and procedures concerning work related activities such as the time they were expected to report to their work stations, and the requirement to don and doff their Personal Protection Equipment, including uniforms, on 3M premises; and (6) the fact that Plaintiff and the class were/are all compensated by the same payroll department, on the basis of common time records, payroll policies, documents and computer systems.
- 32. In addition, there are questions of law common to Plaintiff and the class, including but not limited to: (1) whether donning and doffing uniforms and walking to and from work stations

and locker rooms is compensable "work" time; (2) whether the Defendant's failure to pay

Plaintiff and the class wages at all for certain hours worked violated the IMWL and the IWPCA;

(3) whether the Defendants' failure to pay Plaintiff and the class overtime at the statutory rate of
one and one-half their regular hourly rate for all hours worked over forty in a one-week period
violated Illinois law; and (4) whether the Defendants' failure to pay Plaintiff and the class
overtime at their promised rate of pay for all hours worked over 8 or 12 hours in a day violated
Illinois law.

- 33. The class is sufficiently numerous to make joinder impracticable. On information and belief, at any given time, the Defendant employs over 300 non-exempt, hourly employees who have engaged in the compensable pre and post shift activities described herein and have not been paid for same. This factor alone makes joinder impracticable.
- 34. Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the class. Plaintiff individually suffered and was damaged by all violations enumerated above and complained of herein. Plaintiff's claims are typical of those of the proposed class in all material respects.
- 35. Plaintiff is able to fairly and adequately represent and protect the interests of the class as whole. Plaintiff has willingly undertaken and is able to prosecute these claims on behalf of herself and all similarly-situated persons.
- 36. This is not a collusive or friendly action. Plaintiff has retained counsel experienced in wage and hour and in class action litigation.
- 37. A class action is superior to other available means for the fair and efficient adjudication of the controversy alleged in this Complaint. Class action treatment will permit a large number of similarly situated persons to prosecute their common claims in a single forum simultaneously,

efficiently, and without the unnecessary duplication of effort and expense that numerous individual action would engender. Furthermore, as the damages suffered by each individual member of the class may be relatively small, the expenses and burden of individual litigation would make it difficult or impossible for individual members of the class to redress the wrongs done to them, while an important public interest will be served by addressing the matter as a class action. The cost to the court system of adjudication of such individualized litigation would be substantial. Individualized litigation would also present the potential for inconsistent or contradictory judgments. If individual actions were required to be brought by each of the members of the Plaintiff Class injured or affected, it would necessarily result in a multiplicity of lawsuits, creating a hardship to the individual plaintiff and to the court, as well as to the defendant. Accordingly, a class action is an appropriate method for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy and distribution of the common fund to which the class is entitled.

38. Plaintiff and the class meet all the requirements for class certification.

# COUNT I ILLINOIS MINIMUM WAGE LAW

- 39. Plaintiff realleges and restates paragraphs 1-38, as if fully set forth herein.
- 40. Plaintiff seeks to recover from Defendant, for herself and the members of the class, wages for unpaid hours worked, overtime, punitive damages, attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to Section 12(a) of the IMWL, 820 ILCS §105/12(a).
- 41. Defendant is required to pay its non-exempt employees overtime at a rate of not less than one and one-half times their regular hourly rate for all hours worked in excess of 40 in one week.

820 ILCS §105/4(A)(1). Defendant is required to pay its non exempt employees no less than minimum wage for all hours worked. 820 ILCS §105/4(a).

- At all relevant times, Plaintiff and the class of similarly situated employees were entitled 42. to be paid overtime for hours worked in excess of forty hours per week. Plaintiff and the class were entitled to be paid at least minimum wage for all regular hours worked.
- At all relevant times, Defendant refused and/or failed to pay Plaintiff and other similarly 43. situated employees for all hours worked and for overtime at time and one half, as follows:
  - a) Plaintiff and the class are required to don uniforms and other PPE prior to reporting to their work stations. Defendant does not pay its employees for the time it takes to don their uniforms and other PPE and to walk from their locker rooms to their work stations.
  - b) Plaintiff and the class are required to report to their work stations approximately 20 minutes prior to the start of their shifts. Defendant does not pay its employees for reporting to their work stations early.
  - c) Plaintiff and the class are required to doff their uniforms and don street clothes prior to leaving the facility. On information and belief, Defendant does not always pay for its employees to doff their uniforms and change into street clothes.
- Defendant has promised to pay its employees who are assigned to an 8-hour shift at a rate 44. of one and a half times their regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 8 in any day.
- Defendant has promised to pay its employees at a rate of two times their regular rate of 45. pay for all consecutive hours worked over 12 in any day.
- Defendant has failed to pay Plaintiff and the class their promised overtime wage or the 46.

statutory overtime wage required by the IMWL for hours worked over 40 in a workweek.

- 47. In addition to underpaying Plaintiff and the class as described above, Defendant has failed to pay Plaintiff and the class at all, at either their promised wage rate or minimum wage rate, for certain hours they worked.
- 48. Plaintiff and all similarly situated employees have been damaged by Defendant's violations of the IMWL, outlined above, in an amount not presently ascertainable.
- 49. Defendant knew, or should have known, of the IMWL requirement to pay employees minimum wage for all hours worked and overtime for all hours over 40 worked in a week and that the activities described herein are "work" for which employees must be compensated.

  Defendant's violations of the IMWL were willful.

#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, and the class she represents, asks the court:

- A. To order Defendant to make an accounting of all the hours worked and wages paid to the Plaintiff and to each and every class member she represents commencing at least in November 2004 through and to the present;
- B. For a judgment for all back wages due, as provided by the Illinois Minimum
   Wage Law, 820 ILCS 105/1 et seq;
- C. For prejudgment interest on the back wages in accordance with 815 ILCS 205/2 and punitive damages under The Illinois Minimum Wage Law, 820 ILCS 105/12a;
- For reasonable attorney's fees and costs of this action as provided by the Illinois
   Minimum Wage Law, 820 ILCS 105/1 et seq;

- E. To enter an injunction requiring Defendant to comply with the Illinois Minimum

  Wage Act in the future; and
- F. For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and equitable.

# COUNT II ILLINOIS WAGE PAYMENT AND COLLECTION ACT

- 50. Plaintiff realleges and restates paragraphs 1-38, as if fully set forth herein.
- 51. Plaintiff seeks to recover from Defendant, for herself and the members of the class, wages for unpaid hours worked, at the rate of pay promised by Defendant, attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to Section 14 of the IWPCA, 820 ILCS 115/14 and the Illinois Attorneys Fees In Wage Actions Act, 705 ILCS 225/1.
- 52. Defendant is required to pay its non-exempt employees "wages" in the amount agreed to between the parties. 820 ILCS 115/2.
- 53. At hire and continuing thereafter, Defendant promised to pay its employees who are assigned to an 8-hour shift at a rate of one and a half times their regular rate of pay for all hours worked over 8 in any day.
- 54. At hire and continuing thereafter, Defendant promised to pay its employees at a rate of two times their regular rate of pay for all consecutive hours worked over 12 in any day.
- 55. At all relevant times, Defendant agreed to pay Plaintiff and the class of similarly situated employees for all hours worked, at their promised rates, including promised overtime rates, and Defendant had the ability to pay said wages.
- 56. At all relevant times, Defendant refused and/or failed to pay Plaintiff and other similarly situated employees for all hours worked as follows:

- a. Plaintiff and the class are required to don uniforms and other PPE prior to reporting to their work stations. Defendant does not pay its employees for the time it takes to don their uniforms and other PPE and to walk from their locker rooms to their work stations.
- b. Plaintiff and the class are required to report to their work stations approximately 20 minutes prior to the start of their shifts. Defendant does not pay its employees for reporting to their work stations early.
- c. Plaintiff and the class are required to doff their uniforms and don street clothes prior to leaving the facility. On information and belief, Defendant does not always pay for its employees to doff their uniforms and change into street clothes.
- 57. Defendant was required to pay Plaintiff and the class members the overtime and regular wages described above, in each and every pay period. 820 ILCS 115/3.
- Plaintiff and all similarly situated employees have been damaged by Defendant's 58. violation of the IWPCA, outlined above, in an amount not presently ascertainable.
- Defendant knew, or should have known, of the IWPCA requirement to pay employees the 59. agreed to wage for all hours worked and that the activities described herein are "work" for which employees must be compensated. Defendant's violations of the IWPCA were willful.

### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff and the class she represents ask the court:

To order Defendant to make an accounting of all the hours worked and wages A. paid to the Plaintiff and to each and every class member they represent commencing at least in November 2002 through and to the present;

- B. To enter judgment in favor of the Plaintiff and the class she represents, and against the Defendant for the back wages due, plus prejudgment interest.
- C. To award reasonable attorney's fees and costs of this action as provided by the Illinois Attorneys Fees In Wage Actions Act, 705 ILCS 225/1.
- D. To enter an injunction requiring Defendant to comply with the Illinois Wage

  Payment and Collection Act in the future; and,
- E. For such other and further relief as may be just in law and in equity.

# COUNT III FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT

- 60. Plaintiff realleges and restates paragraphs 1-28, as if fully set forth herein.
- 61. Pursuant to the FLSA, 29 U.S.C. §201 et seq. and the Portal to Portal Act, 29 U.S.C. §251 et. seq., Plaintiff, Barbara Lueders, is entitled to compensation at a rate of at least the minimum wage for all hours worked and at a rate not less than one and one-half her regular rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty (40) in any week during the two (2) years preceding the filing of this Complaint.
- 62. At all relevant times, Defendant refused and/or failed to pay Plaintiff minimum wage for all hours worked and overtime at time and one half for certain hours worked, as follows:
  - a. Plaintiff was required to don her uniform and other PPE prior to reporting to her work station. Defendant did not pay Plaintiff for the time it takes to don her uniform and other PPE and to walk from her locker room to her work station.
  - b. Plaintiff was required to report to her work station approximately 20 minutes prior to the start of her shift. Defendant did not pay Plaintiff for reporting to her work station early.

- c. Plaintiff was required to doff her uniform, shower, and don street clothes prior to leaving the facility. Defendant does not always pay Plaintiff to doff her uniform and change into street clothes.
- 63. The aforementioned failure to pay minimum wages and overtime by Defendant violates the minimum wage and overtime provisions of the FLSA 29 U.S.C. §213 (a)(1).
- 64. Plaintiff has been damaged by Defendant's violation of the FLSA in an amount not presently ascertainable.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that this Court enter judgment as follows:

- A. For the full amount of wages due for all hours worked, including overtime compensation, and an equal amount in liquidated damages, plus pre-judgment interest for the 2 years preceding the filing of this Complaint;
- B. For reasonable attorney's fess and costs; and
- C. For such other and further relief as this Court deems necessary and just.

# COUNT IV WILFUL VIOLATION OF THE FLSA

- 65. Plaintiff realleges and restates paragraphs 60-64, as if fully set forth herein.
- 66. Defendant knew or should have known of the FLSA and Portal to Portal Act requirements to pay employees minimum wage for all hours worked and overtime for all hours over 40 worked in a week. The aforementioned failure to pay minimum wages and overtime by Defendant was willful, entitling Plaintiff to compensation at a rate of not less than one and one-half times her regular rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 in any given week during the three (3) years preceding the filing of this Complaint.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that this Court enter judgment as follows:

- A. For the full amount of wages due for all hours worked, including overtime compensation, and an equal amount in liquidated damages, plus pre-judgment interest for the three years preceding the filing of this Complaint;
- B. For reasonable attorney's fess and costs; and
- C. For such other and further relief as this Court deems necessary just.

Respectfully submitted,

One of Plaintiff's Attorneys

A JURY OF 12 PERSONS IS DEMANDED.

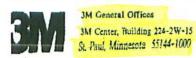
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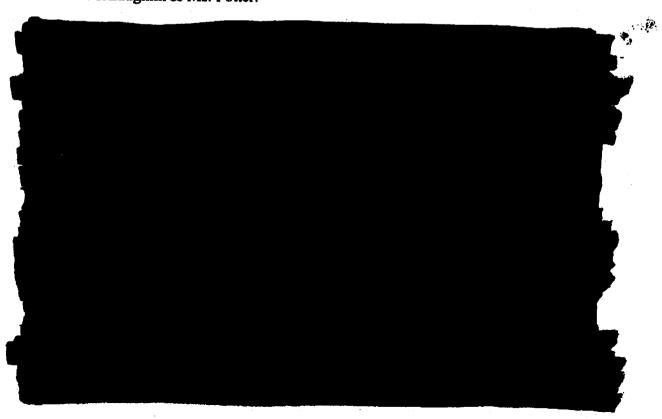
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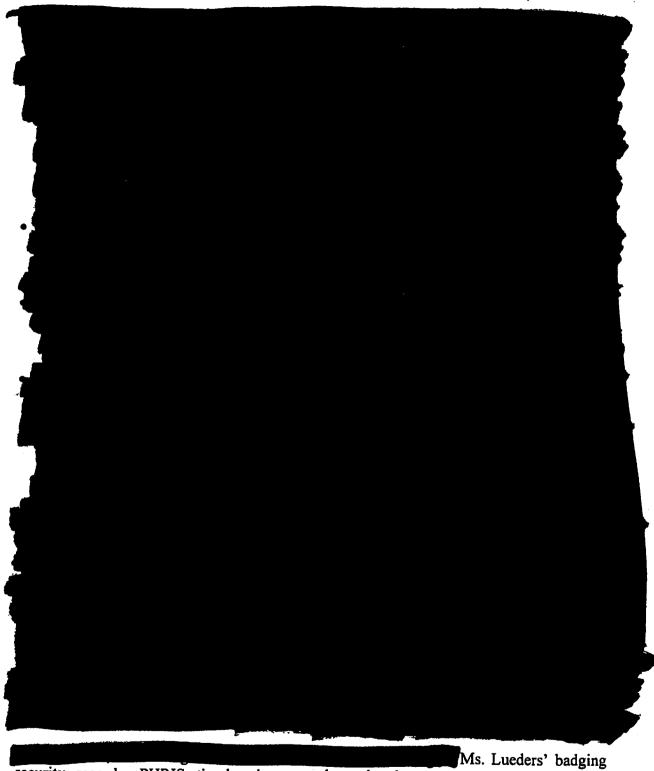
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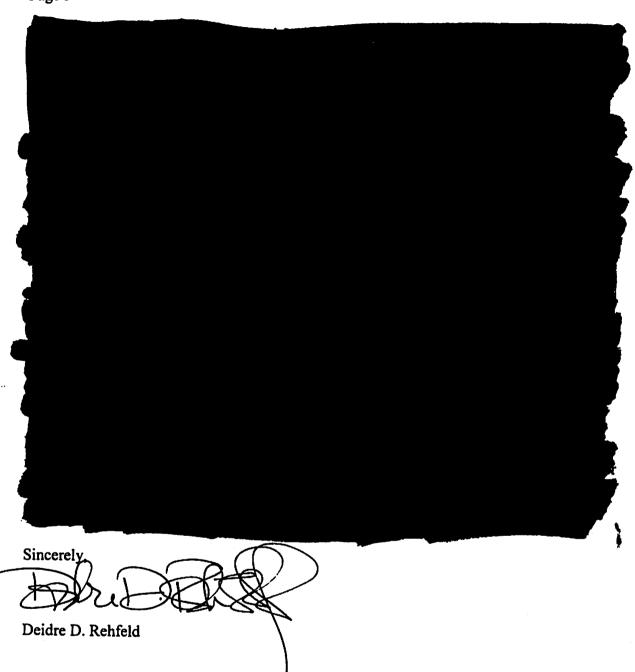


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security records, PHRIS timekeeping records and relevant payroll records. This information will be provided to you in a reasonably readable format, such as .tif files, .pdf files or Excel, depending on the data source.

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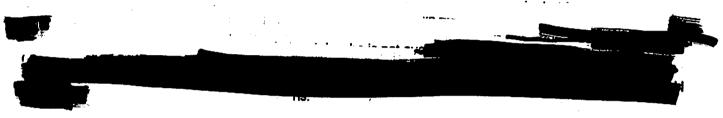
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Robin Potter - robinpotter@igc.org; Colleen McLaughlin

Subject: Follow up

Robin and Colleen-

I have confirmed that the payroll records and time badging records kept at our Cordova facility are in an Excel format.



Thanks...

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Sent: Monday, March 10, 2008 7:49 AM

To: colleen@cmmclaw.com; robinpotter@igc.org

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Subject: Data

### Colleen and Robin:

presented to you in an easily readable format.

Thanks.

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Re:

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Case No.: 07CH36038

Dear Ms. McLaughlin & Ms. Potter:

email is a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet containing security badging information, recorded working hours and pay rate data for Barbara Lueders.

Sincerely.

Deidre D. Rehfeld

Encl. (via email only)

cc: Ann Marie Hanrahan (via email)

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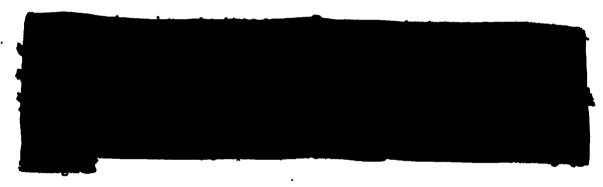
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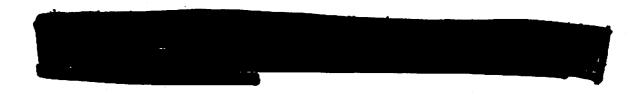
I mentioned during our February 19 conference call that security badging and payroll data was contained in an Excel format.

provide data "in a reasonably readable format, such as ... Excel."

Since the data provided reflects the time your client spent on Cordova facility grounds, the number of paid hours per day and the rate of pay per hour,

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Sincerely,

Deidre D. Rehfeld

cc: Ann Marie Hanrahan (via email)

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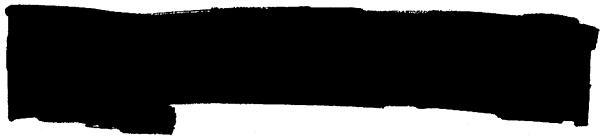
Re: Barbara Lucders v. 3M Company

Case No.: 07CH36038

Dear Ms. McLaughlin & Ms. Potter:

enclosed electronically with this letter are the following:

- An Excel spreadsheet reflecting Ms. Lucders' raw time reporting payroll data for August 2006;
- 2. A printed screen shot of the actual query used to pull the raw payroll data from 3M's PeopleSoft system;
- 3. A table defining the relevant payroll carnings codes;
- 4. An Excel spreadsheet reflecting Ms. Lueders raw security badging data for August 2006; and
- 5. A printed screen shot of the actual query used to pull the raw security badging data from the Corporate Security Information Systems database.



Sincerely,

Deidre D. Rehfeld

Encls. (via email only)

cc: Ann Marie Hanrahan (via email)

#### Colleen McLaughlin

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Thursday, April 17, 2008 1:51 PM

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Requested information

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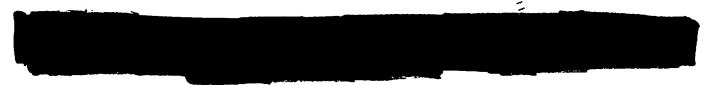
#### Colleen and Robin:



attached to this email is the following:

(1) a copy of the August 2006 badging data for Barbara Lueders with the date and time of badge in/out separated into two columns.

(2) a screen shot of the shift premium codes used for 3M Cordova employees and their associated monetary values. Please note that I have provided the codes and monetary values as of January 15, 2001 and August 20, 2007. There were no changes to the premiums between these dates.



Sincerely,

Deidre

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CASELOAD	Per	nding	1,284	1,216	1,279	1,293	1,277	1,339		
STATISTICS	% Change in Total	Over Last Year		4.9					25	1
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	Weighted	d Filings**	371	349	370	377	382	427	66	6
	Term	inations	360	374	388	370	399	426	66	5
	Trials C	Completed	27	33	27	26	21	19	21	2
MEDIAN	From Filing to	Criminal Felony	8.5	8.8	11.5	9.1	8.4	8.3	43	2
TIMES	Disposition	Civil**	9.1	8.7	8.6	9.0	8.3	7.5	45	5
(months)	From Filing to T	rial** (Civil Only)	29.0	30.0	28.0	25.4	23.5	26.0	61	4
	Civil Cases Over 3	Number	32	29	26	21	16	23		
	Years Old**	Percentage	3.3	3.1	2.6	2.1	1.6	2.2	34	3
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	Jurors	Avg. Present for Jury Selection	31.62	17.41	29.66	33.34	28.79	32.98		
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<sup>\*</sup> Filings in the "Overall Caseload Statistics" section include criminal transfers, while filings "By Nature of Offense" do not.
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CASELOAD	Per	nding	8,091	7,711	7,914	7,706	8,699	8,587		
STATISTICS	% Change in Total		4.1					27	2	
	Filings	Over Earlier Y	ears		-7.0	-20.4	-24.3	-24.4	81	6
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	Vacant Judgeship M	onths**	15.8	5.7	12.0	9.6	22.1	17.8		
		Total	382	367	412	481	505	506	62	4
	FILINGS	Civil	346	330	369	437	461	459	36	3
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#### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

BARBARA J. LUEDERS, individually	)	
and on behalf of a class of similarly	)	
situated persons,	)	Case No. 08-cv-2457
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Plaintiff,	)	Judge Wayne R. Anderson
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v.	)	
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3M COMPANY, a Delaware corporation,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

# PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE BRIEF IN OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO TRANSFER VENUE TO THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that plaintiff Barbara J. Lueders, by her attorney, is filing her Response Brief In Opposition to Defendant's Motion to Transfer Venue to the Central District of Illinois, with the United States District Court, Dirksen Building, 219 S. Dearborn, Chicago, IL 60604, on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008. A copy of this Response has been filed electronically attached hereto and is hereby served upon you.

BARBARA J. LUEDERS, individually and on behalf of a class of similarly situated persons,

/s/ <u>Elissa J. Hobfoll</u>	
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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Elissa J. Hobfoll, an attorney, do hereby certify that I caused a copy of the foregoing notice and attached Response to be served on the below-named attorneys via electronic filing on this  $6^{th}$  day of June 2008.

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